

Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter



November 2005



Important information regarding 4-H market livestock projects at the Montana State Fair in Great Falls.

The Montana State Fair has reached a crossroads relative to the number of animals that can be accommodated at the 4-H livestock sale. In 2005 there were almost not enough butchers to process all our 4-H animals. Due to this, the Montana State Fair has now reached our maximum capacity for processing.

The Cascade County Livestock Leaders have had to take a hard look at the program and make a difficult decision. Therefore in 2006 4-H members who do not reside in and belong to the Cascade County 4-H program will not be able to sell their market livestock animals at the 4-H livestock sale at the Montana State Fair. However, out of county 4-H members can enter and show in market and showmanship classes under the same guidelines as in other years. Out of county 4-H members may continue to Intent any number of animals, but they may only enter and show one market animal at the Fair. The 4-H member earns all bragging rights for any Grand or Reserve Champion in market and showmanship awards. However, the Grand and Reserve Champion will not sell in the sale if shown by a member from out of county.

The Cascade County Livestock Leaders met in early October to look at different alternatives for out of county 4-H members and came up with several options. Below are three options that have the lowest cost to the out of county 4-H members. These options are: 1 – Private treaty sale, 2 – take the animal home or 3 – sell their market steer or lamb at Western Livestock stockyards. The responsibility for the animal will remain with the out of county 4-H member for transportation after the 4-H program at the Fair is finished. Any out of county hogs would be sent home with the 4-H member for private sale at this time. Out of County 4-H market animals would not be included in the carcass contest.

For those 4-H members who are interested in other show options at the Montana State Fair, there is the Grand Drive Junior Livestock Show that is open to any 4-H, FFA or breed association member. The premiums offered in 2005 were \$500 to \$1000 Savings bonds for Grand/Reserve and cash premiums for 3rd, 4th, and 5th ranging from \$50 to \$300. The Grand Drive Junior Livestock Show is non-terminal.



Leaders Council Meeting

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at **6:30 p.m.** at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring a couple dollars for your meal. Next meeting is **Tuesday, November 8th.**



2006 Montana Rec Lab March 17-19 in Deerlodge

Here is your opportunity to provide a hands-on activity for Montana 4-H teens to enhance their recreation and leadership skills, while meeting the “Amazing 4-H Challenge” with creativity and enthusiasm. District 5 will host the Montana Rec Lab in Deerlodge March 17-19, 2006. As always participants will experience hands on fun and learning. This is a **“Call for workshop proposals”** - With Rec Lab still in the planning stages the planning committee is looking for workshop presenters. The committee encourages all MSU faculty and interested volunteers to submit a workshop proposal. This can be done by completing a workshop proposal form. Contact the Gallatin County Extension Office at 582-3280 for a form. If you have any other workshop questions please contact Dan Lucas, Granite County Extension agent at dlucas@co.granite.mt.us.



Happy Thanksgiving (We're thankful to all our volunteers! Couldn't do it without you)

4-H Boxes of Hope

We received the shipping instructions and our packages are going to Lake Charles, LA, Calcasieu Parish. I went to their website and was reading about a wonderful lakeside community where in this particular Parish the kids have not even been able to return to school. These boxes can mean a great deal to kids that have lost everything and need some hope that things will get better. We are hoping for a prompt shipment. I would like to still send some out in October. The shipment deadlines are October 24th and November 14th.

These are simple to put together and I have the labels to put on the boxes that will list who it is from and who it is directed to, Girl/Boy and age. Please get back to me ASAP with information regarding your boxes. I will come pick them up at the office if you can drop them off there.

Please show those kids in Calcasieu Parish that we care about them and can give this small amount of hope to them while they are in a very difficult situation that will greatly affect their entire lives.

Here are the directions again for the boxes – Please call me if you have any questions.

Thank You, Betsy Heckel – Rockin' Roosters 4-H Club 388-7578

The outpouring of assistance from 4-H clubs around the nation has been overwhelming. Many have asked how individual 4-H members or clubs can help. One way is by collecting items to fill 4-H Boxes of Hope. Begin with a shoebox and use your imagination. For those needing a jumpstart see list below.

Books (age appropriate), Card games or playing cards, Disposable cameras, Gift cards or certificates (Wal-Mart, Target, McDonald's, Burger King, other national chains), Hand sanitizer, Individual size tissue packs, Non-perishable snacks, Notes of encouragement, Phone Cards, Small toy, Writing journals (target middle to high school age) Tips: - Do not seal shoeboxes. Shelter administrators may wish to inspect before distribution.

- Do not include sharp objects in shoeboxes
- Do remember to include age appropriate items (no small objects for preschool age children)
- Include shoebox ID labels including the following information: Boy/Girl, Preschool Elementary, Middle to High School (*Betsy has these labels for you*)

MSU Announces Fall 2006 Scholarships

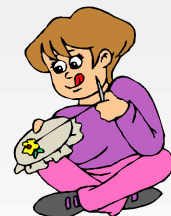
Hundreds of MSU Scholarships will be available to new freshmen in the fall of 2006. Prospective students are encouraged to apply for admission and have their ACT and/or SAT scores sent to Montana State University directly from the testing company as soon as possible. Awards automatically will be made to eligible students when they are admitted and have submitted their test scores. An ACT score of 33+ or a SAT score of 1450+ qualifies students for \$2500 per year for four years. An ACT score of 30-32 or a SAT score of 1320-1440 qualifies students for \$2000 per year for four years. An ACT score of 27-29 or a SAT score of 1200-1310 qualifies students for a \$1000 one-time award. If students are interested in being considered for additional college and departmental awards, they should complete the Freshman Departmental Scholarship Application by February 1, 2006. This form can be found at www.montana.edu/admissions/freshmanscholarshipapp.pdf.

For more information, contact the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office at 582-3280 or visit the MSU Admissions Office website at www.montana.edu/admissions/scholarships.shtml.

Ag Loans Available to 4-H Members

The Gallatin County Farm Service Agency would like to inform all 4-H and FFA members of the opportunity to apply for a Rural Youth Loan. The Farm Service Agency makes operating loans to individual rural youth, ages 10-20, to establish and operate income-producing projects. The maximum loan amount is \$5,000. For more information, contact the Gallatin County FSA Office at 522-4000 or visit the national website at www.fsa.usda.gov.

INTRODUCING A NEW PROJECT OPPORTUNITY - CROCHET, KNITTING, & EMBROIDERY



Have you ever considered a project in crocheting, knitting, or embroidery? This is an awesome opportunity to learn a new trade. This is not just something you see Grandma doing. Many people of all ages crochet, knit and embroider. Let me take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Kelley Phipps. For the past three years, I have been actively crocheting, knitting and embroidering. I learned to knit, crochet, and embroider as a child from my grandmother. It wasn't until becoming an adult I understood the importance and the diversity these projects offer. I would like to extend the opportunity for you to learn these sewing and textiles trades to people of all ages. I am interested in holding an orientation. Those interested in any of these projects should sign up with the 4-H office by November 18, 2005. This will give me an idea of how many people I need to reserve a facility for, in addition to how many materials I need to acquire. Anyone can easily learn these trades and have a great time learning and showing creative expression. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 599-1454. (This is our rabbitry number, so please do not be alarmed when you hear the message if I am unavailable to answer your call.) I hope to see you all soon.

Wanted: Are you interested in horses and in need of a club. The Saddle Mountain 4-H Club is looking for members to join. Contact Shannon Brooks at 581-7478 if you have any questions.

Citizenship Washington Focus 2006 Dates Set – June 11-16

Citizenship Washington Focus is a 4-H leadership program for high school youth. Delegations of 14-19 year-olds from across the country attend this 6 day program at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, located just outside Washington, D.C. The program is aimed at enriching young people's lives by broadening their appreciation and respect for themselves and others in the world. Participants attend workshops, committees, field trips and social events, giving them hands-on opportunities to learn and grow. Participants learn and practice skills that will make them better citizens and more successful individuals. Contact the Gallatin County 4-H office for more information or go to: www.montana4h.org. Applications are due February 1, 2006.

Applications for National 4-H Conference: March 25 - 31, 2006

The National 4-H Conference is a working conference in which youth and adults--at the invitation of the Secretary of Agriculture--assist in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development Programs nationally and in their communities. Conference delegates are prepared, personally and professionally, to become more active participants within their communities and effectively develop youth-adult partnerships for community action. Plans are underway for National 4-H Conference 2006. This letter announces the application process for selecting the Montana delegation. Montana will send a delegation of up to 4 participants. **Youth Delegate:** Must be 15-18 years old as of January 1, 2006 and not a High School senior during the 4-H year in which they apply and attend. **Adult Chaperone Delegate:** Must be an enrolled volunteer in the Montana 4-H Program (25 years or older). **Application Process:** Complete an application and return to the 4-H Center by November 15th. Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and delegates will be selected. **Delegate Expenses:** Partial funding will be provided by the Montana 4-H Foundation to selected delegates (support dependant on the number of delegates). Delegates will be responsible for a portion of the approximate \$1200 total cost per participant. Contact the 4-H office at 901 N. Black or 582-3280 for info.

Beef Bits: MARKET STEER SELECTION WORKSHOP, Sunday, Nov. 6, 2:00 pm, Storey Hereford Ranch, 10069 River Road, Bozeman. There will be some club calf prospects available. Sponsored by KSK Show Steers. Please call Kohlbeck's at 587-3024 for directions or information.

Horse Happenings:

Horse Committee Members: Misty Radue, 388-6655; Amy Lewis, 580-6693; Katie Cooper, 580-9278, Dana Adams, 587-3072; Barb Barber, 282-7030; John Palm, 388-7262.

The next Horse Committee Meeting is November 21st at 6:30 pm at the Kountry Korner Kafe in Four Corners.



Horsemanship:

October 29th: Halloween PlayDay Fundraiser. Sign up at 9, Start at 10:00 at the fairgrounds. Watch for flyers or call a horse committee member for more details.

November 8th: Rodeo and Show Clothing ideas and HORSEMANSHIP WORKBOOK help WORKSHOP. No horses needed. Call Marca at 581-8483 to pre-register. Building #3, at 6:30 pm.

November 20th: English and Western Horsemanship Workshop. Call Katie at 580-9278 to pre-register. Assessments for Level 1 members, and anyone else ready.

Green Horse/C2M:

November 19th: 1st session at Circle L arena. Call Barb at 282-7030 to pre-register.

Ranch Horse:

Two meetings in November: Call Jeff to let him know your availability. 580-9279.

UPCOMING DATES:

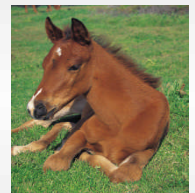
October 29th: Halloween Play Day. Adult and Youth divisions. Sign up at 9:00, Start at 10:00. Indoor arena, fairgrounds.

December 2nd-4th: State 4-H Horse Leaders Forum. Call the 4-H Office for registration information.

Horseless Horse:

November 14th: The second meeting for the Horseless Horse Project will meet at 6:00 pm at 1640 Reeves Road East (Susan Taylor's indoor barn). Located off of the frontage road close to the Blue Basket Gas Station. Call Katie Cooper at 580-9278 for more specific directions. **BRING YOUR BOOKS!!** If you can not attend, please call to get information.

WELCOME - I'm the new Colt to Maturity Leader, Barb Barber. I am excited for the new year. We will be getting started with a clinic on **NOVEMBER 19** from 12:00-4:00 at Circle L Arena. Bring your colt, halter, and 12 ft. lead rope. Anyone needing a colt for the Colt to Maturity project, contact Barb Barber and she may be able to assist. Any questions - call Barb at 282-7030 or 920-1968.



Clothing and Textiles Project: November 29, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm, Valley Bank (Main Branch) in Belgrade, 98 N Broadway--basement. We will be making a Fleece Boa Scarf. You will need to bring the following: 1 2/3 yds fleece fabric--light to medium-weight; sewing thread to match; sewing machine and necessary accessories; all sewing tools (straight pins, tape measure, hem gauge, marking utensil, fabric scissors, paper scissors; seam ripper); extra sewing machine needles; project book; pen or pencil. This yardage of fabric will make 3 boa scarves--to make one boa scarf, a remnant of fleece will work if it is 60" long (parallel to the selvage) and 18" wide (most stretch).



4-H Club Historian Workshop: There will be an orientation meeting on November 15th at 7:00 pm. Please bring 2-3 photos, other materials provided. Contact Elizabeth Cash for directions and more details. We'll learn how to preserve your photos, get organized, page composition, page layout ideas, and much more! I am available as a guest speaker as well for your 4-H club meetings. Imagine your 4-H Club's pictures captured in an album along with their stories to be enjoyed year after year, generation after generation. I'll also show you how to get started and basic supplies. I can't wait to see you on the 15th! If you have any questions call Elizabeth Cash at 582-1702 or e-mail Ecash1977@aol.com.



Poultry Pieces: Rocking Roosters meeting to be held on November 7th. Meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at the Valley Bank of Belgrade at 6:00. **Poultry Project** meeting will be held on November 7th at the Valley Bank of Belgrade at 7:00. If you have any questions please call Betsy at 388-7578 or Sandra at 388-6906.



Quilting Quickies: Next meeting will be November 5. Meetings are the first Saturday of the month. You will need to attend 3 meeting in order to exhibit at fair. Call Sandra for more information at 388-6906.



Rabbit Ramblings: Next workshop will be November 5th at 10:00 am. Meet at post office on Baxter Lane. Will be going to Dr. Sue Geske, Double Diamond Vet. Bring your rabbit questions. If you have any questions, please call Brenda Townsend at 284-6434.



Shooting Sports Shots: The first workshops of the new 4-H year will be held on Sunday, November 20th at Yellowstone Gateway Sports. At the first workshop the parents and 4-H members will have the opportunity to shoot the air rifle, air pistol or try archery. Trained instructors will teach adults to shoot. It is important to have an adult to help each new shooter. All equipment and supplies will be provided or members may bring their own. Sessions: Sundays, starting November 20th through February 26th except December 25. Times: 5:00-6:00, 6:00-7:00, 7:00-8:00. The 5:00-6:00 session has been crowded. The 7:00-8:00 session has had the least amount. Members are free to choose which session to attend and should arrive 5-10 minutes early. Yellowstone Gateway Sports closes at 5:00 pm, after 5:00 enter the building from the southeast corner. **Reminder: You must be enrolled for the current 4-H year before participating in workshops.** Questions: Call Bill Ott at 209-2599.



2005 Project Award Winners



The following project awards were presented at the awards banquet on September 8, 2005. Project awards are divided into three categories. Beginning awards are received by 9-10 year olds. Junior awards are for 11-13 year olds. Senior awards are given to members 14 and up. Except under special circumstances, there is only one winner allowed per category. Others nominated received an honorable mention.

Archery:	Beginning Award - Barry Francis; Junior Honorable Mention - Austin Reyher
Beef:	Junior Award - Kallie Herrygers; Junior H.M. - Ben Hoffman, Austin Reyher, Dustin Madill, Lilly Brogger, Catherine Callantine; Senior Award - Katelyn Kohlbeck; Senior H.M. - Sierra Reyher
Cloverbuds:	Honorable Mention - Abby Brogger, Miles Miller, Hanoch Cuelho, Jordan Wyse, Kieran Patten
Clowning:	Beginning Award -Barry Francis
Community Service:	Junior Award —Haley MacPherson and Ashley Stonecipher; Senior Award -Brittney Stonecipher
Cowboy Poetry:	Junior Award - Tace Patten
Discovering 4-H:	Beginning Award - Sarah Phipps; Beginning H.M. - Lyle Degen
Dog:	Beginning Award - Cyris Robertson
Electricity:	Beginning Award - Logan Cheney
Foods:	Beginning Award - Mariah Harvey; Beginning H.M. -Cori Johnson, Quincy Galiger; Junior Award - Khetri Johnson,; Junior H.M. - Hannah Kuchinsky, Codi Francis
Goat:	Senior H.M. - Sonvje Ryen
Horse:	Beginning Award - Cyris Robertson; Beginning H.M. - Ali Jenkins; Junior Award - Sylvis Robertson; Senior Award - Krystal Tennesen
Horticulture:	Beginning Award - Christopher Mowers; Junior H. M. - Sydney Heckel
Livestock Judging:	Senior H.M. - Ross Marler, Robbie Chesterfield
Photography:	Beginning Award - Jessica Wyse; Junior Award - Hannah Kuchinsky; Junior H.M. - Sammie Cheney, Cody Francis
Pocket Pets:	Beginning Award - Christopher Mowers; Junior Award - Sylvis Robertson; Junior H.M. - Ashley Stonecipher, Haley MacPherson; Senior Award - Brittney Stonecipher
Poultry:	Beginning H.M. - Tanner Clay, Sarah Hanna, Jerry Townsend; Junior Award - Emma Treut; Junior H.M. - Martin Townsend, Sydney Heckel, Clint Robinson; Senior Award - Teri Martindale; Senior H.M. - Christie Hanna, Dakota Robinson, Amanda Luikens
Quilting:	Senior Award - Kirsten Hofman; Senior H. M. - Annie Maggard, Brittney Wold
Rabbits:	Beginning Award - Amelia Farrier; Beginning H.M. - Maegan Miller; Junior Award - Katelyn Farrier; Junior H.M. - Lilly Brogger, Kylie Gagnon; Senior H.M. - Dakota Robinson, Karissa Woienski
Sewing:	Beginning Award - Quincy Galiger; Beginning H.M. - Blu Cuehlo, Barry Francis, Amanda Swanson; Junior Award - Hannah Kuchinsky; Junior H.M. - Khetri Johnson, Sara Hofman, Kayla Bishop
Sheep:	Beginning Award - Mitch Ward; Beginning H.M. - Chet Stefan; Junior Award - Kylie Gagnon; Junior H.M. - Henry Stefan, Cole Gebhardt; Senior H.M. - Robbie Chesterfield, Sonjve Ryen
Shooting Sports:	Junior Award -Codi Francis; Junior H.M. - ReAnn Wilson, Matt Gagnon, Roper Galiger
Small Engines:	Junior Award -Roper Galiger
Sport Fishing:	Beginning Award - Jerry Townsend
Swine:	Beginning Award - Codi Cooper; Beginning H.M. - Chet Stefan, Ben Austiguy; Junior H.M. - Otto Stefan, Austin Reyher, Sydney Heckel; Senior H.M. - Ross Marler, Robbie Chesterfield, Ian Austiguy
Woodworking:	Beginning Award - Ira Cuehlo; Beginning H.M. - Ezra Cuehlo; Junior Award - Beker Cuehlo; Junior H.M. - Matt Gagnon

2005 GALLATIN COUNTY 4-H SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS RESULTS

Outstanding 4-H Foundation Member Award to MICK CHESTERFIELD
Outstanding 4-H Alumni Award to CARRIE HOTZEL
Partner In 4-H Award to VALLEY BANK OF BELGRADE
Outstanding 4-H Club Leader Award to SHANNON RUST
Outstanding 4-H Project Leader Award to BRENDA TOWNSEND
Outstanding 4-H Leaders Council Member Award to SANDRA FIEGI
Lifetime 4-H Achievement Award to DALE DYKEMA
Gallatin County 4-H Leader of the Year Award to BETSY HECKEL
Outstanding 4-H Member of the Year Award to RANDIE ADAMS
Outstanding 4-H Club Member of the Year Award to MARTIN TOWNSEND
The Sucker of the Year Award to MICK CHESTERFIELD



October 11, 2005
Gallatin County 4-H Leaders Unlimited Council
MacKenzie River Pizza
Belgrade, MT

The meeting was called to order by President Carrie at 6:50pm. Members present were: Leia Miller, Sandra Fiegi, Todd Kesner, Carrie Hotzel, Betsy Heckel, Brenda Townsend, Laura Heck, Kelley Phipps, Kathy Cheney and Ginny Francis. Sonja Berg was a guest.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were reviewed. Sandra made a motion, seconded by Brenda to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The financial report for last month and the budget for next year were reviewed. Brenda made a motion, seconded by Sandra to approve the October financial report. Motion carried. Ginny made a motion, seconded by Brenda to accept the '05-'06 budget as presented. Motion carried.

Old Business: The Costco card has been taken care of. There is a \$29,000 limit. We will be able to purchase office supplies, camp and fair supplies, etc. now with the card and membership. There are three cards available and names can be transferred as necessary.

New Business: Election of officers was held. Elected were: Ginny Francis, President; Kathy Cheney, President-elect; Kelley Phipps, Secretary; and Sandra Fiegi, Treasurer. All members of the Leaders Council were reminded that they must be enrolled as leaders in order to be members of the board. There was also some discussion about adding a category of "adult volunteer" to the enrollment form for parents who want to be covered with the insurance for leaders, but do not wish to be a leader.

Leader records. New forms were passed out to keep track of "volunteer" expenses that were incurred during the year for income tax. A reminder was given that those expenses are tax deductible.

Square Table. The next Square Table was set for Monday, November 14, 2005 at Belgrade MacKenzie River Pizza (if available) at 6:30. This is an informational night for leaders and interested parents to help make their 4-H experience more successful. Topics to be discussed: new projects, community service ideas, and "Survival Guide to 4-H".

Western Regional Leaders Forum. The WRLF will be held in Salt Lake City from March 1-5. This meeting is for the 13 western states. Registration is \$225 by Dec. 2 or \$290 after that. More information is available at www.utah4-H.org. Any board members interested in attending, need to let us know by the next meeting.

County 4-H Flag. Stetson Robinson combined the three flag ideas presented at the last meeting. Stetson and the three who originally submitted ideas were given a pizza certificate. The county sewing project will construct the flag.

Turkey winner. James Snider, the winner of the turkey has not been located after several attempts. Sandra made a motion, seconded by Kathy to donate the turkey to the food bank. Motion carried.

Concessions at Winterfest. The Winterfest is Feb. 17-20, 2006 and help is needed for concessions from Friday night through Monday afternoon. It is still not known if the fairgrounds will charge the 17% gross sales commission. Clubs or projects will get more information as it is available.

Window Displays for National 4-H Week. There was a great response for displays – Madison Valley, Tater Gems, Manhattan Clever Clovers, Gallatin Valley Livestock, Shining Mountaineers and Saddle Stars all had displays. The winner will be announced in the newsletter.

Grant Applications. The Small Bore grant was reviewed. Sandra made a motion, seconded by Kelley to recommend that the Foundation funds the \$1020 that was requested. Motion carried. The State 4-H Horse Leaders grant was reviewed. This would be emergency money, only to be used if necessary. Laura made a motion, seconded by Sandra to recommend that the Foundation fund the requested \$500. Motion carried. The Foundation has about \$3500 left. Unused money will carry over to next year.

Horse Trailer. Delana Maney was the recipient of the trailer. Jeff Cooper did some welding on it, and the brakes and lights will be checked out.

4-H Boxes of Hope. Betsy is asking for help on this project. Details will be available when she gets info.

Phone book delivery. Call Todd if interested in delivering phone books in the next couple of days. Payment is \$.25 per book delivered. Call Andrea at 461-0434.

Brenda made a motion, seconded by Leia to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Ginny Francis, Secretary

Sky Federal Credit Union Offering Special 4-H/FFA Project Loans

Sky Federal Credit Union, with offices in Gallatin and Park Counties, is offering 4-H members low interest loans (3.50 %) to fund the purchase of animals or materials for their 4-H project. Sky Federal Credit Union recognizes the financial burden for 4-H project incurred by the young people in the communities they serve. They also recognize the importance of financial education and the establishment of a credit history. The loans can extend up to 10 months and require a single payoff at the end of the term. There will be no processing fee or loan origination fee and the interest would amount to about \$33 on a \$1,200 loan at the end of 10 months. If you are anticipating financial difficulty in purchasing and feeding your 4-H market animal or with any other 4-H project, this loan program could certainly benefit you. If interested, please contact the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office at 582-3280 or Janell Adams at Sky Federal Credit Union at 222-1750 ext: 266

Cloverbud Halloween Party

We will be having our Cloverbud Halloween party again this year, it will be Oct. 29th, building #4 at the fairgrounds at 4:00. All cloverbuds in the county are welcome to come all dressed up for the evening in their costume. There will be fun and games... it will be a spooktacular time.



Window Display Winners

A special thanks to all the clubs participating in the National 4-H Week window display contest in early October. Your attractive displays throughout the valley were a wonderful promotion of 4-H and all the things we do. Also a big thank you to the businesses listed below who allowed space for our 4-H displays.

Grand Champion – Manhattan Clever Clovers 4-H Club – Manhattan Hardware

Honorable Mentions - Madison Valley 4-H Club – Three Forks Pharmacy
- Manhattan Tater Gems – Auto Inn Garage, Manhattan
- Gallatin Valley Livestock 4-H Club – Manhattan Hardware
- Shining Mountaineers 4-H Club – Leslie's Hallmark, Bozeman



Upcoming Events:

- Wild West WinterFest – February 17-20, Gallatin County Fairgrounds.
- Summer 4-H Camp – June 20-23, Hyalite Youth Camp
- Montana 4-H Congress – July 11-14, Montana State University Campus
- Gallatin County Fair – July 19-23, Gallatin County Fairgrounds, 2005 Gallatin County Fair Theme – “Let’s Stirrup Some Fun”. Watch for the button design contest in the next newsletter.

Don’t Forget – Fairbook Changes are Due January 10th.

MSU Animal and Range Science Department Recognizes Excellence in 4-H Livestock

Gallatin County 4-H members continue to raise quality market animals and their hard work is evident by the number that receive statewide recognition through a very stringent carcass grading system conducted by Montana State University. Please congratulate the following 4-H members on the state level recognition they have received for their 4-H project animals exhibited at the 2005 Gallatin County Fair.

Swine Symbol of Excellence Carcass Winners

Monica Russell	Scott Samson	Robbie Chesterfield
Kale Brownell	RJ Mikkelson	Emily Samson
Elizabeth Samson	Sierra Epp	Stephanie Swets



Montana Certified Lamb Carcass Winners

Chase Briggs	Robbie Chesterfield	Karoline Rose
Tom Nerlin	Anne Lambrecht	Sonvje Ryen



Montana Steer of Merit Carcass Winners

Katelyn Kohlbeck

Western Regional 4-H Volunteer Leaders’ Forum 2006, March 1-5 Salt Lake City

Join over 500 volunteers from the 13 western states in a FUN, learning environment. Western Regional Leaders Forum is a great opportunity to meet others and share ideas which can be implemented in your local youth program. Interactive workshops, sewing lab, computer lab and much more await you in learning the newest and coolest techniques in working with youth. There is also time built in for educational tours and time to visit with new and old friends. 4-H volunteers and community partners come together once a year for this event and 2006 is Utah’s turn to host. You need not be a 4-H volunteer to participate; there is much to share between those working in a myriad of youth serving organizations. Contact the extension office at 582-3280 more information or go to:

<http://Utah4H.org> for more information and to download an application.

Cost is \$225 and early bird registration deadline is December 2nd.

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!

Don't forget that Bozeman is hosting the State Horse Leaders Forum December 2-4. There are many workshops available. Don't miss out on this opportunity. Call or stop by the 4-H office for a registration form at 901 N. Black or 582-3280.



**Make sure you
have re-enrolled
or this will be your
last newsletter!!!**

Leader Training Session Offered November 14th

A Leader's Square Table volunteer training workshop will be offered on Monday, November 14th at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. The workshop, entitled "Your Survival Guide to 4-H", will include topics concerning the role of the 4-H council, other committees within 4-H, new projects for youth, community service ideas, opportunities at Murdoch's Ranch and Home Supply, Leader's Records, tax advantages of volunteerism, and answers to your burning questions. Please plan to attend, learn, and mingle with other leaders throughout Gallatin County. The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will provide dinner, so please RSVP to the 4-H office by calling 582-3280 by November 10, 2005. We hope to see you there.